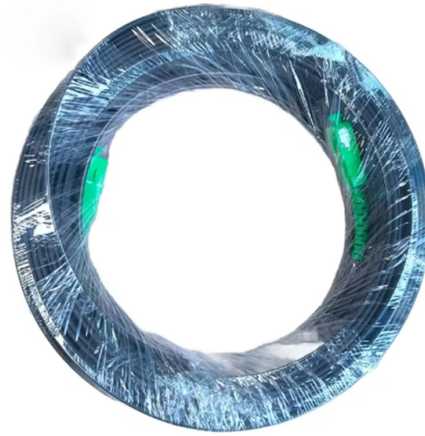


Fiber Optic APC and APC Coupler



AI Overview

APC fiber optic couplers are precision devices designed to connect angled physical contact (APC) connectors, minimizing back reflection and ensuring stable single-mode fiber connections.

Overview of APC Couplers An APC (Angled Physical Contact) fiber optic coupler is a passive component used to join two APC fiber connectors, typically polished at an 8° angle. The angled ferrule end face directs reflected light into the fiber cladding rather than back to the source, significantly reducing return loss, often achieving values of -60 dB or better. This makes APC couplers ideal for applications sensitive to back reflection, such as FTTH, PON, CATV, and 5G fronthaul networks.

Design and Construction APC couplers house a precision alignment sleeve, usually made of zirconia ceramic, which ensures the ferrules of the connected fibers are perfectly aligned to minimize insertion loss. The coupler body is typically green to indicate APC compatibility, distinguishing it from blue UPC or beige multimode connectors. Common configurations include: LC/APC to LC/APC, LC/APC to SC/APC, SC/APC to SC/APC. These couplers can be supplied as bulk components or pre-mounted in patch panels, wall outlets, or DINIC boxes for professional installations.

Performance Characteristics

- Return Loss:** APC couplers provide superior return loss (≥ 60 dB), reducing signal reflection and interference.
- Insertion Loss:** Slightly higher than UPC couplers but generally low, ensuring efficient signal transmission.
- Compatibility:** APC connectors must only mate with other APC connectors; mating APC to UPC can cause permanent damage and high loss.

Applications APC couplers are widely used in single-mode fiber networks where signal integrity is critical:

- FTTH/FTTB networks:** Extending or adapting LC/APC or SC/APC cables between routers, ONTs, and patch panels.
- CATV and analog RF systems:** Minimizing reflections in high-frequency signal transmission.
- PON and WDM systems:** Ensuring low back reflection for sensitive optical signals.

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